



8-20-04

EV372457632

IFW

PTO/SB/21 (02-04)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

**TRANSMITTAL  
FORM**

(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)

Total Number of Pages in This Submission

11

Application Number

10/618,471

Filing Date

July 11, 2003

First Named Inventor

Luan C. Tran

Art Unit

2813

Examiner Name

Laura M. Schillinger

Attorney Docket Number

M122-2331

**ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)**

Fee Transmittal Form



Fee Attached



Amendment/Reply



After Final



Affidavits/declaration(s)



Extension of Time Request



Express Abandonment Request



Information Disclosure Statement



Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)

Response to Missing Parts/  
Incomplete ApplicationResponse to Missing Parts  
under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53

Drawing(s)



Licensing-related Papers



Petition

Petition to Convert to a  
Provisional Application

Power of Attorney, Revocation



Change of Correspondence Address



Terminal Disclaimer



Request for Refund



CD, Number of CD(s) \_\_\_\_\_

After Allowance communication  
to Technology Center (TC)Appeal Communication to Board  
of Appeals and InterferencesAppeal Communication to TC  
(Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)

Proprietary Information



Status Letter

Other Enclosure(s) (please  
Identify below):

PTO Return Receipt Postcard

Remarks

No claims fees or extension fees are believed to be due.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**Firm  
or  
Individual nameDeepak Malhotra, Reg. No. 33,560  
Wells St. John P.S.

Signature

Date

August 18, 2004

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below.

Typed or printed name

FILED BY U.S. EXPRESS MAIL NO. EV 372457632 US

Signature

Date

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.



EV372457632

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Serial No. ....10/618,471  
Filing Date .....July 11, 2003  
Inventor ..... Luan C. Tran  
Assignee ..... Micron Technology, Inc.  
Group Art Unit ..... 2813  
Examiner ..... Laura Schillinger  
Attorney's Docket No. ....MI22-2331  
Title: Semiconductor Processing Methods of Forming Integrated Circuitry

**RESPONSE TO AUGUST 10, 2004 OFFICE ACTION**

To: Mail Stop Amendments  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

From: Deepak Malhotra (Tel. 509-624-4276; Fax 509-838-3424)  
Wells St. John P.S.  
601 W. First Avenue, Suite 1300  
Spokane, WA 99201-3828

In response to the August 10, 2004 Office Action, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.